GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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MOBILE POLICE STATIONS IN EXPRESS TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the railways are considering for providing mobile police stations to be operative on 24 express trains to check the activities of inter-state decoit gangs committing various offences and terrorising passengers by resorting to looting;

(b) if so, the time by which this proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(c) the other protection likely to be given to the railway passengers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Maintenance of law and order on Railways is the responsibilityof the State Government, mobile police stations have already been provided on some of the trains in certain States.

(c) Maintenance of law and order over the Railways is the responsibility of the State Governments which they discharge through their Government RailwayPolice (GRP). In addition to various measures being taken by the GRP to improve the safety and security of the passengers, the Railway administration is taking the following steps to assist GRP:-

1. Anti-social elements are being removed from Railway premiseÃª and trains by RPF.

2 Proper watch is being kept by Coach Attendants/TTEs on the passengersentering/detraining from the coaches and the coaches are property locked during their run especially in night hours.

3 FIR forms are made available with the Train Guards/Stations Masters/RPF tofacilitate the travelling public to lodge their reports immediately.

4 Sharing of Special Intelligence and Crime Intelligence between RPF and GRP is being done at all levels.

5 Announcements through Public Address system and CCTV at importantRailway Stations to alert the travelling passengers against theft of their belongings etc.

6 Periodic level co-ordination meetings with Government Railway Police and Local Police are being conducted to analyse the crime position on Railways with a view to take suitable preventive measures.

7 Wherever the State Government wants to establish mobile post in the runningtrains, necessary facilities like accommodation etc. are being provided.